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Fellow citizens of the Department of Justice,

Microsoft was found guilty and they should have been punished more severely. However, you people are now going to enforce the hand slap they probably bought and that's fine with me, but I hope you keep one thing clear: people, as a whole, are developing memories that go further and further back. You people will be remembered for how you handle this so I hope you've looked into the future of computing and seen how things like open standards and free software may influence things to come. And I hope your decisions are made with a mental picture of a future that barely remembers the great monopoly - or uses anything it created. How will that future look at those involved in today's amazing injustice? Make good decisions that reflect the severity of the crime Microsoft was proven to have committed. And think of the MS-less future, you know, the one your children and mine are being handed.

Deeply concerned,
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